

Workshop Companion Guide

Episode II: Get Inspired

What we cover in this episode

Episode II is all about finding inspiration and brainstorming in developing a great story idea. We also learn about style, genre, format and the amazing benefits of creativity. Plus, we discuss how to find an audience for your film.

- **Finding your idea:**
 - 5 tips for finding inspiration
- **Creating your style:**
 - Finding your own style
 - What genre and format are and how they are used
 - Tips for creativity - express yourself & experiment
- **Consider your audience:**
 - Who are you making your film for
 - How you want your audience to feel
- **Build on your idea:**
 - Where to start developing your story idea
 - Short film viewing "It's Time to Dance"

Discussion leaders

Topics for individuals and group discussion:

- **Finding inspiration:** What inspires you? What are your interests? What causes are you passionate about? Do you play an instrument or have a style of music you're into? Inspiration might come from a family member or family history, or it could come from looking at art books, magazines or social media.
- **Favourite films:** Who is a filmmaker you admire? What do you like about them? Do they have a unique style? Can they tell a great joke?
- **Your audience:** Think about who you're making your film for. Who is your audience? Is it for a film festival audience, a personal film just for you, or a film for classmates and friends? How do you want your audience to feel after watching your film?
- **Your film your way:** This is your film to make, so make it about something you find interesting and want people to see

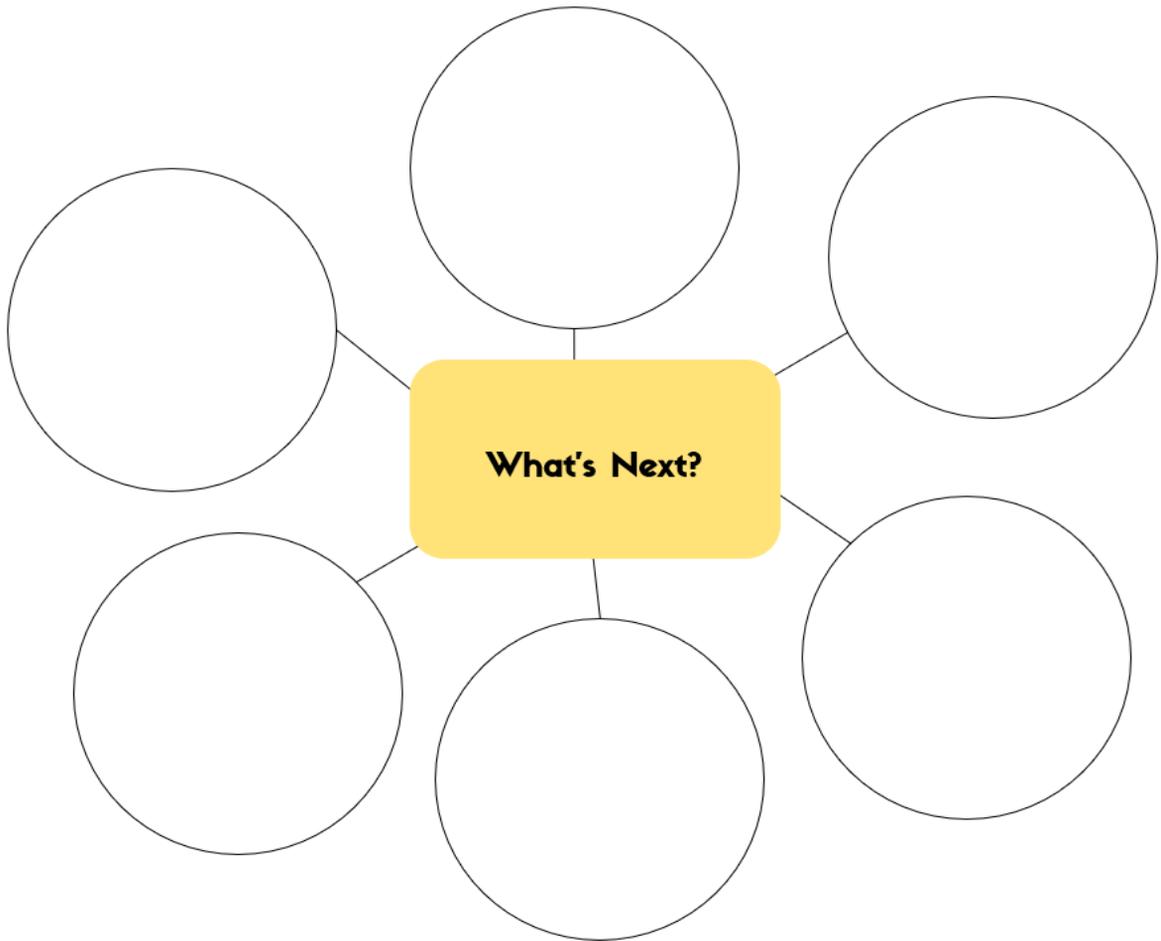
Activities

- Create a mind map of ideas around "What's Next?". You will find a mind map template in the episode II activity worksheet on the Nextwave website.
- Write down your favourite movie, and three reasons why you like it. What makes it unique?

Workshop Activity Worksheet

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Activity 1: Create a mind map around "What's Next?"



Activity 2: Write down your favourite movie and answer the following questions

What do you like about it?

What makes it unique and creative?
